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I am bitterly disappointed because the proposed settlement fails to force Microsoft to abandon its anticompetitive practices. Under the proposed settlement, Microsoft would continue to be allowed to characterize any software module as 'part of the operating system', thereby avoiding their obligation to share programming interface specifications with other companies.

The most clear indication of the ineffectiveness of this proposed settlement is the fact that Microsoft is using Windows XP and its .net initiative to attempt to monopolize internet authentication and e-business.

These guys (Microsoft) think they are free to continue extending their OS monopoly. Strong provisions are needed in the settlement of the current case to convince them otherwise.

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